

COUNTRY NEEDS
COAST DEFENCE

Gen. William Black in Report, Points Out Lessons of the War.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 23.—Necessity for the maintenance of defensive works at important and strategic points along the coast of the United States is no less patent today than before the war with Germany, in the opinion of Maj. Gen. William Black, chief of engineers. In his annual report, published today, Gen. Black declared that "sea coast defenses had lost nothing in importance from the lessons of the war."

He said that the extreme value of such defenses was demonstrated by the fact that the Germans were unable to prevent the taking of Constantinople and the opening of a line of supply for Russia. This instance alone, he said, was sufficient to show that the value of sea coast defenses.

Gen. Black expressed the opinion that heavy ordnance on railway mounts must be considered simply as auxiliary defenses to the fixed and permanent works. He recommended the employment of heavier guns in the heavily increased range of such ordnance, which now can throw a projectile 23 1/2 miles. The work of modernizing the coast defenses is being continued. The report showed many recent innovations in the science of warfare have been adopted. Not the least important of these was a disappearing searchlight tower, the fixed type having proved of great value to the enemy as a "ranging point" for their guns.

BANK CHARGES AND FIRE.—Friday, Nov. 23.—A losing streak caused the local high school football eleven to "make a mistake" as a result of which the team was humiliated by the balance of the season by unanimous vote.

DEMANDS ITALY
FREE RUSSIANS

Socialists Claim Prisoners Are Receiving Unjust Treatment.

Rome, Italy, Nov. 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—The directorate of the socialist party today wrote President Nitti demanding that Russian prisoners taken over by Italy from Austria-Hungary be released unconditionally.

The socialists say they will undertake to provide work for the Russians may support themselves if they desire to remain in Italy. They also demand that the government negotiate with the existing Russian governments for the repatriation of the prisoners.

The Russians are interned on the island of Asinara, off the coast of Sardinia. The socialists claim that the Russians are being unjustly treated, Italy not being at war with Russia. It is being brought out besides that these Russians fought with the extreme against the central powers.

The letter accuses the government of cooperating with the "central dictators," Kolchak and Denikin, by permitting the Russian military mission in Italy to conduct propaganda among the prisoners for the object of inducing them to enlist in the Kolchak and Denikin armies. The propaganda is charged with using inhuman means to coerce the prisoners.

JAPANESE TROOPS ARREST CHINESE IN AMOY DISTRICT (Continued from page 1.)

by Japanese warships. The district is a hotbed of revolution. Reports from Japan say the situation there is even more serious.

The alien language of the American Indians is very like that of the dead and dumb.

President Works
On Message To
Joint Session

Will Be Unable to Deliver It in Person Because of Illness.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 23.—President Wilson's message to congress will not be transmitted until Tuesday. It was said today at the White House, it is expected to cover a wide range of subjects, with particular attention to the industrial situation.

The president has been working on the message for two weeks, dictating to a stenographer in his sick room. Because of his illness, the president will find it necessary to depart from his custom of delivering his message in person.

Jury Acquits
U. S. Soldier Of
Robbery Charge

K. Hanley, a soldier, was found not guilty late Friday afternoon by a jury in the 24th district court, on a charge of robbery by assault.

On the night of Oct. 4, K. Hanley, was held up on Missouri street at the point of a pistol. K. B. Reed, a soldier, and Hanley were charged with the robbery. Hanley asked for a severance of the case. Reed was found guilty on a charge of robbery by assault and sent to the penitentiary for five years.

Kernan's testimony said Reed held the pistol while another man, who he couldn't swear was Hanley, searched him.

More than three times as many marriages take place in June as in March.

POST TO THE
GEN. PERSHING

Commander Will Be Here January 28; Ready For Radicals.

The American legion of El Paso will banquet Gen. John J. Pershing when he comes to El Paso Jan. 28. The banquet will be held in Liberty hall. It was agreed Friday night at the regular meeting of the post in the chamber of commerce. A committee will be named by J. M. Pollard, post commander, to make arrangements for the Pershing dinner.

It also was voted to observe the passing of the old year solemnly rather than in revelry. On the motion of T. H. Clausen, it was unanimously voted to meet just before the hour of midnight and extend devotional exercises until the New Year dawns.

Ready for Radicals. Chief of police J. E. Hines, commander of the committee named to investigate radical activities here and to devise ways and means of combating them, reported that the legion and the city were in readiness for any emergency. He said that the means that would be used to prevent trouble would not be revealed, but that the federal government, the army, the sheriff, the military police and the city police were cooperating, and would continue to do so. At first the plan to arrange a meeting place where arms might be distributed to members of the legion in case of trouble was discussed, but abandoned because it was not deemed necessary.

On motion of L. H. Reed, the legion voted to endorse the proposal to erect a memorial to men who fell in battle. This is to be a structure that will house various community activities. In this connection it was agreed to change the name of the legion branch here from 21 Paso post number 28 to some more suitable name. An investigation will be made to find out who was the first El Paso boy to fall in the war and the post will be named after him.

To Start Member Drive. A resolution introduced by Rev. J. M. Johnson, Jr., secretary of the post, that another drive be started for membership was carried and the legion was divided into two companies, the 1st and the 2nd. The team that obtains the most membership will be the guest of the losing team at a dinner to be given at 5 o'clock New Year's eve. The legion now has 144 members.

A letter from J. N. Quail, field secretary of the National Association for the Protection of American Rights in Mexico asked the legion to endorse either by name or indirectly the activities of this association and to go on record in favor of protecting Americans. The request was referred to the executive committee. The legion was warned against endorsing the association by J. E. Hines, who said it would be bordering on politics although the matter had a patriotic aspect. He said the association had tried for months to get the endorsement from the legion.

H. H. Heston, post commander of the Hamilton Fish post of Spanish-American war veterans, appeared before the legion and invited it to accept honorary membership in the Spanish-American war veteran post.

Aviator Wed Thursday;
Is Killed On Friday

Jacksonville, Fla., Nov. 23.—Lester J. Miller, of Fort Wayne, Ind., formerly an army aviator, was killed Friday while attempting to jump from one airplane to another, 200 feet from the ground.

Miller was married here Thursday.

JAMES ALLEN TO FACE TRIAL
ON MURDER CHARGE MONDAY

Sergeant James Allen of the Fifth cavalry will be tried in the 24th district court Monday on a charge of murder. He will plead not guilty to a charge of killing his wife, Catherine Allen, September 15, at their home in Orchard Park addition. Sergeant Allen was wounded at the time his wife was killed and for days lingered at the base hospital at Fort Bliss at the point of death.

LIEUT. O'BRYAN, SEVEN YEAR
VETERAN, RETURNS TO HOME

Lieut. Jack O'Bryan has returned to El Paso after seven years' enlistment in the army.

Lieut. O'Bryan was in the Philippine Islands when the war started. He went to France with the Rainbow division. His mother is Mrs. Dora L. Miller, proprietor of the Star hotel.

HORSES ELECTROCUTED

Neglect, Ariz., Nov. 23.—Four horses were killed in a corral stable of the Tenth United States cavalry when the power wires were torn from a pole by a high wind and fell across a barbed wire fence surrounding the corral. The horses ran against the charged fence wire.

Care In Buying Stoves
Means Much Longer Use

Some things which appear to be economy in the use of iron, are not money savers. One of these is the use of old iron in making stoves. Subjected to intense heat, only the best material withstands the test for years. Poor material "cracks" and the owner must purchase a new stove in two or three years.

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HEAD UPHELD

John Barritt, Secretary, Testifies Pandolfo Gave Concern Good Service.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 23.—John Barritt, secretary of the Pan Motor company, Friday told of the internal functioning of the company when he testified in the trial of 13 Pan officials charged with misuse of the mails. Mr. Barritt is a defendant.

Concerning the transaction by which Pandolfo was to have purchased 100,000 shares of Pan stock for the par value of \$5 per share instead of the selling value of \$10, Mr. Barritt explained that this was done to protect the stockholders and the company from a loss.

Wanted Stock in Own Name. "Mr. Pandolfo was afraid that the control of the company would be secured in having the license to sell stock cashed in one of more states," he said, "and wanted it in his own name so that he could continue to sell it if this happened. He told me that he would continue to fulfill his part of the contract in disposing of this stock just as he did in selling any of the company stock. The directors, however, did not think the plan a good one and it was not followed."

Mr. Barritt was asked to explain the fact that the fiscal agency books had at one time showed that Pandolfo owed him \$1000—\$500 that he never paid testimony showed. He explained it by saying that when he came to work for Pandolfo he had not been paid a large salary, but that the understanding was it was to be increased later. This sum he said probably was a gift. Pandolfo intended to make him for his services.

The witness said that Pandolfo has always given the company all of his attention and energy.

Works 14 or 15 Hours a Day. The time he works will average 14 or 15 hours a day, he said. He also declared that the attitude of the directors had always been sincere and earnest. Mr. Barritt's salary since he began with the company, according to his testimony, has averaged \$214 per month.

F. H. Thielman, another director, was questioned as to his statements to stockholders in the company who came to El Paso to look the plant over. He denied he, in May or June, 1918, told Oliver Schaefer, of Pleasant Grove, Utah, that the company was turning out 15 cars per day and that dividends would be paid by January, 1919.

X. M. PROHIBITION DIRECTOR. Denver, Colo., Nov. 23.—J. W. Fleming, contacted with the district office of internal revenue agent A. G. Dingley, has been appointed federal prohibition director for the state of New Mexico. It was announced here. Fleming has been engaged recently at Phoenix as a narcotic agent.

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